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TO:

Mike Dupree, Deputy General Counsel

Legal Division

FROM:

Robin Gremillion, Direct

Disclosure Division

DATE:

December 29, 2015

DOCKET:

2015.1416

RE:

WILLIAMS, LINDA

Tier 2.1 Annual Personal Financial Disclosure Statement covering 2013

Eastern New Orleans Neighborhood Advisory Commission

Late Fee: \$1000
WAIVER REQUEST

Linda Williams has served as a member of the Eastern New Orleans Neighborhood Advisory Commission for since approximately 2012. Her most current disclosure statement filed does not indicate when her term ends. Ms. Williams has filed four disclosure statements and/or amendments with this agency.

On December 20, 2015, Ms. Williams timely requested a waiver of late fees related to the above referenced disclosure statement. Ms. Williams stated that she did not receive the notice of the failure to file the disclosure statement. She stated that the commission mail is on picked up two days out of the week. A review of the green card receipt (of the initial Notice of Delinquency) indicates that the notice was signed for by Ms. Williams. The chronology follows:

### Tier 2.1 Annual Personal Financial Disclosure Statement covering 2013

Original PFD due date: May 15, 2014

• NOD-FF Received: January 31, 2015

• PFD due date based on receipt of NOD: February 10, 2015

• PFD filed: March 2, 2015

Days late from receipt of NOD: 20

• Total days late from initial due date: 292

• Late Fee Order Attempted: June 26, 2015

• Late Fee Order Attempted: September 28, 2015:

• Late Fee Order Reissued: December 8, 2015

• Late Fee Order Received: December 10, 2015

Payment or waiver request due date: December 30, 2015

Waiver request received: December 20, 2015

#### Other PFD Late Fees: Yes

• 2011 annual PFD \$1050 Late Fee

• February 2013 Board Meeting: Waived

Other CF Late Fees: No

Other Outstanding Disclosures: No

Prior Disclosure Late Fees: No

Reassessed Late Fees: No



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January 29, 2015

CERTIFIED MAIL

NO. 70120470000060011625

RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Linda Williams 4754 Haydel Street New Orleans, LA 70126

NOTICE OF DELINQUENCY - FAILURE TO FILE Statement covering 2013

Eastern New Orleans Neighborhood Advisory Committee

Pursuant to La. R.S. 42:1124.4, if a person fails to file a Personal Financial Disclosure Statement as required by 42:1124, 1124.2, 1124.2.1, or 1124.3; omits information; or files inaccurately, a Notice of Delinquency shall be issued. A review of our records indicates that we have not received your Personal Financial Disclosure Statement covering 2013.

You have 7 business days from the date of receipt of this Notice to file your Tier 2.1 Personal Financial Disclosure Statement covering 2013, or to submit an Answer explaining why you feel you are not required to file a Personal Financial Disclosure Statement. Failure to file a Personal Financial Disclosure Statement or an Answer within the 7 business days will subject you to an automatic late fee of \$50 per day up to a maximum of \$1,500. Proof of timely filing is determined by the U.S. Postal Service postmark; receipt from the U.S. Postal Service; or receipt from a commercial delivery service.

The form for the Tier 2.1 Personal Financial Disclosure Statement (Form 417) is available on the Louisiana Board of Ethics website at www.ethics.state.la.us. If you have any questions, you may contact a Disclosure Division employee at 225/219-5600 or 800/842-6630.

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# TIER 2.1 PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (ANNUAL)

THIS REPORT COVERS CALENDAR YEAR: 2013
ORIGINAL REPORT
□ AMENDED REPORT
I currently hold an office that would require me to file a Tier 3 Personal Financial Disclosure Statement. As such, I have completed SCHEDULE D.
Name of Filer (print full name) Cinda Williams  Mailing Address 475 4 Haydri S+  City, State, Zip New Orleans, LA 70126
Name of Board/Commission (no abbreviations) East New Orleans Neighborhood Advisory (Date of Appointment Expires: NA
Name of Spouse (if applicable) (print tull name)
Principal Business Address
City. State Zip
CHECK ONE:  Neither I, nor any member of my immediate family, have a personal or financial interest in any entity, contract, or business, or a personal or financial relationship, that in any way poses a conflict of interest, which would affect the impartial performance of my duties as a member of the board or commission.  I have attached a statement describing any conflicts, and actions I am taking to resolve or avoid the conflicts.
Check all that apply:
Thave filed my state income tax return for the previous year.
Thave filed for an extension of my state income tax return for the previous year.
Thave filed my federal income tax return for the previous year.
Fig. 1 have filed for an extension of my federal income tax return for the previous year NOTE: La. R.S. 42:1124.2.1 does not provide you the opportunity to request an extension in filing your personal financial disclosure statement.
Certification of Accuracy
I do hereby certify that the information contained in this personal financial disclosure statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and helief
Signature of Filer

Revised November 2014

Form 417

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NO. 70151520000288905063

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December 8, 2015

Linda Williams 4754 Haydel Street New Orleans, LA 70126

RE: Tier 2.1 Annual Personal Financial Disclosure Statement for calendar year 2013

East New Orleans Neighborhood Advisory Commission

Late Fee Assessment - Report: PFD15001664

Dear Ms. Williams:

Enclosed is an assessment of a late fee pursuant to La. R.S. 42:1124.4. Please submit a check or money order in the amount of \$1,000 payable to the *Louisiana State Treasurer*, Post Office Box 4368, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821.

You have 20 days from the receipt of this letter to submit payment or dispute this assessment. To dispute the assessment, you may elect to:

• Request a waiver to the Board of Ethics

If you choose to request a waiver of the late fee, your request should include specific details, along with supporting documentation, as to why, in your opinion, you have good cause for not timely filing the report and why the late fee should be reduced, suspended, or waived. The request should be submitted to the attention of: Louisiana Board of Ethics, Post Office Box 4368, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821. You may also fax the request to 225/381-7271. Also, if you would like to appear before the Board of Ethics in connection with your request, you should state that in your request. If you request an appearance, you will be notified of the place and time prior to the meeting.

• Appeal the assessment directly to the *Ethics Adjudicatory Board*If you choose to appeal the assessment of the late fee, the proceedings will go before a three judge panel of administrative law judges. The panel will determine if you were required to file the disclosure statement and whether the disclosure statement was filed late. Mitigating factors are not considered. The Ethics

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You should be aware that unpaid fines, fees, or penalties may have an adverse effect on your ability to run for public office, as the *Board of Ethics* will object to your candidacy in future elections pursuant to La. R.S. 18:491 and 18:492.

If you have any questions, you may contact Robin Gremillion at 225/219-5600 or 1-800-842-6630.

Sincerely,

Donna Bourgeois

Administrative Coordinator

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### STATE OF LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS

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Accordingly, **IT IS ORDERED** that a late fee of \$1,000 be assessed against LINDA WILLIAMS for failing to timely file the Tier 2.1 Annual Personal Financial Disclosure Statement for calendar year 2013.

**ORDER** signed on the 8th day of December 2015 at Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Robin Gremillion, Director

Disclosure Division

### RE: Tier 2.1 Annual Financial Disclosure Statement for Calendar Year 2013

To whom it may concern,

This is in response to attached letter delivered by certified mail on December 10, 2015

I am requesting waiver of the indicated late fees for the following reasons:

- 1) No other notice of late filing of the 2014 Personal Financial Disclosure was received either at my home, nor the ENONAC office.
- 2) Did not know a filing deadline date.

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3) The office where mail is received, is only manned 2 days a week therefore there is no timely receipt of any notices

If you have any questions, please contact me at (504) 244-8520.

Linda Williams

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